VERGIL'S AENEID RESEARCH PROJECT SCORING GUIDE

SPELLING AND MECHANICS	10DISTINGUISHED	8VERY GOOD	6MINIMALLY SUCCESSFUL	4INSUFFICIENT
	• NO ERRORS (A 9 WILL CONTAIN AT MOST A CARELESS MISTAKE OR TWO THAT DO NOT DISTRACT FROM THE OVERALL EFFECT)	 A FEW SPELLING MISTAKES (ERRORS IN CAPITALIZATION, CONTRACTIONS) OCCASIONAL MISUSE OR LACK OF PUNCTUATION MINOR GRAMMATICAL ERRORS (SUBJECT-VERB AGREEMENT, PRONOUN CASES, ANTECEDENTS, VERB TENSES) ERRORS MAY SLIGHTLY DISTRACT 	A NUMBER OF MISSPELLINGS (ERRORS IN CAPITALIZATION, CONTRACTIONS) MORE FREQUENT PUNCTUATION ERRORS GRAMMATICAL ERRORS OF A MORE SERIOUS NATURE (SUBJECT-VERB AGREEMENT, PRONOUN CASES, ANTECEDENTS, TENSES) ERRORS DRAW ATTENTION AWAY FROM THE ARGUMENT	 POOR SPELLING (ERRORS IN CAPITALIZATION, CONTRACTIONS) ERRATIC USE OR LACK OF PUNCTUATION FAILS TO DISPLAY A FUNDAMENTAL UNDERSTANDING OF STANDARD GRAMMAR (SUBJECT-VERB AGREEMENT, PRONOUN CASES, ANTECEDENTS, TENSES) QUANTITY OR SERIOUSNESS OF ERRORS HINDERS UNDERSTANDING
STYLISTICS	10DISTINGUISHED	8VERY GOOD	6MINIMALLY SUCCESSFUL	4INSUFFICIENT
	 MEMORABLE STRUCTURE AND PHRASING FELICITOUS WORD CHOICE CAN'T PUT THE WORK DOWN (A 9 WILL MOVE THE READER TO READ ON WITH A STRONG MIX OF SIMPLE AND COMPLEX STRUCTURE AND APT WORD CHOICE) 	WELL-WRITTEN WITH TOLERABLE VARIETY OF STRUCTURES GENERALLY CORRECT USE OF VOCABULARY WITH SOME CREATIVITY CAN'T REALLY BE FAULTED, BUT NOT MEMORABLE	 OCCASIONAL STRUCTURAL VARIATIONS (RUN ONS AND FRAGMENTS POSSIBLE BUT NOT FREQUENT) MINIMAL SELECTIVITY OF VOCABULARY OR MARKED MISUSE OF WORDS ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT 	 REPETITIVE, UNVARYING, OR INAPPROPRIATE SENTENCE STRUCTURES (RUN ONS, FRAGMENTS) VOCABULARY (UNORIGINAL, REPETITIVE) NEEDS IMPROVEMENT TO FACILITATE COMPREHENSION
CONTENT	30DISTINGUISHED	24VERY GOOD	21—SUCCESSFUL	18—INSUFFICIENT
 SPECIFIC CONTENT REQUIREMENTS BY LEVEL LATIN III (2-4 PAGES IN LENGTH): MAY USE A PUBLISHED TRANSLATION FOR THE ENGLISH TEXT OF THE <i>AENED</i>; BUT <i>MUST</i> REFER TO THE LATIN ORIGINAL IN ORDER TO MAKE LINGUISTIC ARGUMENTS; AND <i>MAY</i> REFER TO LATIN AND PROVIDE OWN TRANSLATIONS IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THIS PORTION OF THE CONTENT GRADE LATIN IV (3-5 PAGES IN LENGTH): <i>MUST</i> CITE LATIN TEXT AND PROVIDE OWN TRANSLATIONS 	 THE A PAPER WILL INVESTIGATE A UNIQUE FACET OF THE AENED ADVANCE ITS ARGUMENT USE THE INVESTIGATION TO ELUCIDATE THE EPIC'S BROADER OVERALL THEMES OR RELEVANCE RELEVANT REFERENCES, CORRECTLY CITED CONTAIN ACCURATE TRANSLATIONS DRAW WARRANTED CONCLUSIONS CONVINCE, EVEN IF COUNTER TO THE MAINSTREAM OF INTERPRETATION 	 THE B PAPER WILL PROVIDE A QUESTION OR ANGLE FOR INVESTIGATION DEVELOP AN ARGUMENT TIE THE RESEARCH TO THE BIGGER PICTURE PROVIDE INFORMATION AND TRANSLATIONS (A DEGREE OF OVERKILL, IRRELEVANCE, OR INACCURACY IN BOTH IS POSSIBLE, BUT WILL NOT GENERALLY MISLEAD) WITH FAIRLY ACCURATE DOCUMENTATION CONCLUDE BE SOUND, IF NOT ENTIRELY CONVINCING 	 THE C PAPER WILL HAVE SOME DIRECTION ATTEMPT TO RELATE ITS ARGUMENT TO THE BIGGER PICTURE SOMETIMES SUBSTITUTE INFORMATION OF QUESTIONABLE RELEVANCE FOR ARGUMENT SOMETIMES EXHIBIT FAULTY TRANSLATIONS OR INSUFFICIENT CITATIONS ATTEMPT TO MAKE ITS POINTS DRAW TO A CLOSE RATHER THAN LEAD THE READER ALONG TO A LOGICAL CONCLUSION 	 AN INSUFFICIENT PAPER WILL PROVE INCREASINGLY LACKING IN THE AREAS OF TOPIC/DIRECTION CONNECTION TO THE THEMES OF THE <i>AENEID</i> INFORMATION (TOO MUCH OR TOO LITTLE), WHICH MAY BORDER ON PLAGIARISM ACCURACY OF TRANSLATIONS, WHICH MAY SERIOUSLY DETRACT FROM THE ARGUMENT ARGUMENTATION, WHICH WILL GIVE WAY TO A BOOK-REPORT STYLE FORMAT CLOSURE: WILL END ABRUPTLY OR RUN OUT OF STEAM